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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF May 10, 2004

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 10, 2004 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire August 10, 2004, kindly amend the above-entitled application as follows, no new matter has been added:

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper**

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 10 of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.**

**An Appendix including formal drawings and new Declaration is attached following page 19 of this paper.**